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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 2, 2008. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period is originally set in the Office Action to expire on April 2, 2008, Applicants hereby request an extension of time for one (1) month and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with the requisite fee. If the Office deems any additional fee due for consideration of this Response, authorization is expressly given to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Objections and Rejections respectfully requested in view of the amendment and remarks which follow:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.